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Initial Application of:
Leslie Benum et al.

Case Docket No.: NOVA 9210

Serial No: 09/659,361

Art Unit: 1775

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Examiner: J. McNeil

FOR: Surface on a Stainless Steel Matrix

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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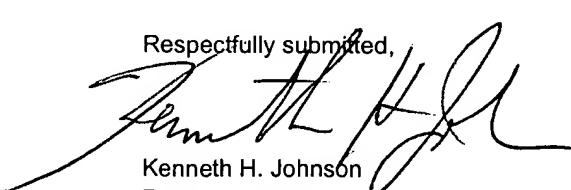
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

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Sir:

This is filed responsive to the Office Action of March 29, 2004. Without prejudice to Applicants' right to continue to prosecute subject matter in the specification as originally filed please make the following amendments to the specification.